

**Motions Adopted by the Brookline Parking Committee (BPC)
for its Interim Report to Selectmen
September 21, 2009**

The following motions were adopted by the Brookline Parking Committee (BPC) in its meeting on September 21, 2009.

It should be noted that the BPC is considering additional recommendations to be voted a later date.

Motion 1 – Use of Multispace Meters in On-Street High-Demand Locations

In order to improve the management of curbside parking, the BPC recommends that the Transportation Board and the Public Works Department Transportation Division prioritize the installation of multispace parking meters in certain on-street parking areas of Brookline where parking demand is high and more space turnover is sought.

Motion 2 – Extension of Meter Hours of Operation

To encourage more space turnover, the BPC recommends that the Transportation Board extend hours of operation for parking meters beyond 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in areas where evening parking demand is highest. Because additional enforcement resources will be needed to implement this time extension effectively, the BPC recommends additional consultation with the Town Administrator's office and the Police Department.

Motion 3 – Parking Space Turnover

To encourage more space turnover, the BPC recommends that the Transportation Board modify time limits in some commercial areas to shorter than two-hours where demand is highest. In addition, the BPC recommends that the Selectmen establish a ceiling price for hourly parking rates above the current \$0.75 per hour rate, which would permit the Transportation Board to adjust hourly parking rates up or down beneath the ceiling price. Longer time limits should be considered in other areas, where appropriate.

Motion 4 – Commercial Parking Permits

To increase participation in the successful employee-parking program in commercial areas, the BPC recommends that the Transportation Board offer employers the option to purchase on-street commercial parking permits on a quarterly basis with quarterly pricing corresponding to 25 percent of the annual cost.

Motion 5 – Beacon Street Median Overnight Parking

The BPC recommends that the Transportation Board and the Public Works Department Transportation Division consider renting additional overnight rental parking spaces in the Beacon Street median to address unmet parking demands while not impacting evening parking demand for other uses.

Motion 6 – Multifamily Residential Parking Requirements

The BPC supports some reduction in off-street parking requirements within multi-family residential land uses near transit provided that neighborhood concerns are taken into account. The specific recommendations will be developed in the fall of 2009.

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Motion 7 – Car Sharing Bylaw

The BPC supports Warrant Articles 12 and 13 to adopt a bylaw to permit off-street parking lots to include spaces for car sharing vehicles.

Motion 8 – Commercial Parking Requirements

The BPC supports the development of recommendations to modify the process and requirements for commercial parking. This would be applicable both to reuse of existing commercial land uses and redevelopment or development projects. The specific recommendations will be developed in the fall of 2009.

Motion 9 – Commercial Parking Requirements

The BPC supports an increase in the bicycle parking requirements in the existing zoning bylaw.

Voting was as follows:

Yes: Lohe, Kampler, Heikin, Lynn-Jones, Saner, Mattison, Pehlke, Raine, Schwartz,
Mermell, Gropman

No: None

Abstain: Trachtenberg

Absent: Sandman, Furth, Chang